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Federal Opportunities

An Evaluation of Innovative Methods for Integrating Buprenorphine Opioid Abuse Treatment in HIV Primary Care Settings. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to support and examine the effectiveness of the integration of advancements in substance abuse treatment (buprenorphine) in HIV primary care settings. Eligible applicants include: state or local public health, mental health, housing, or substance abuse departments; public or nonprofit hospitals and medical facilities; and faith- and community-based organizations, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2004. Approximately \$3.5 million is available to fund 11 awards, ranging from \$300,000-\$500,000. For further information, contact Lois Eldred at (301) 443-3327 or Leldred@hrsa.gov; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-5866.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Program. *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Administration for Children and Families (ACF)* announces funds to assist faith-based and community organizations to increase their effectiveness, enhance their ability to provide social services, expand their organizations, diversify their funding sources, and create collaborations to better serve those most in need. Eligible applicants include local government entities, state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, and small businesses. The deadline for applications is May 18, 2004. Approximately \$7 million is available to fund 12

awards, ranging from \$400,000-\$800,000. For further information, contact Barbara Ziegler at 1-800-281-9519 or OCS@LCGNET.com; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/14mar20010800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-6204.htm>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Humanities. *The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)* offers challenge grants to help organizations secure long-term improvements in and support for their humanities programs and resources. Challenge grants most commonly augment or establish endowments. The income from invested funds may support ongoing humanities activities in education, public programming, scholarly research, and preservation. Eligible applicants include nonprofit institutions, except elementary and secondary schools or school districts, working with the humanities. The deadlines for applications are May 3 or November 1, 2004. Grants can range from \$30,000-\$700,000. For further information and to obtain an application, contact NEH at (202) 606-8446, info@neh.gov, or NEH, Office of Public Affairs, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506; or go to: <http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/challenge.html>.

Technical Assistance and Dissemination To Improve Services and Results for Children With Disabilities--Projects for Children and Young Adults Who Are Deaf-Blind. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to provide technical assistance and information that support states and local entities in building capacity to improve early intervention, educational, and transitional services and results for children with disabilities and their families. Eligible applicants

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include state educational agencies (SEA), local educational agencies (LEA), institutions of higher education, nonprofit and for-profit organizations, and other public agencies. The deadline for applications is April 19, 2004. Approximately \$1.789 million is available to fund 13 awards. For further information, contact DOED Grants and Contracts Services at (202) 205-8207; or go to:

<http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-5823.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities--Steppingstones of Technology Innovation for Students with Disabilities. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to: improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration and use of technology; support educational media activities designed to be of educational value to children with disabilities; and provide support for some captioning, video description and cultural activities. Eligible applicants include state educational agencies (SEA), local educational agencies (LEA), institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, and other public agencies. The deadline for applications is April 23, 2004. Approximately \$2.9 million is available to fund 13 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000. For further information, contact DOED Grants and Contracts Services at (202) 205-8207; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-5822.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

District Opportunities

FY 2004 Mini-Subgrants to Small Nonprofit Community-Based Organizations. *The Department of Human Services (DHS)/Income Maintenance Administration (IMA)* is the lead agency in DC for implementation of the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. To facilitate achievement of TANF purposes, the DHS/IMA intends to award grant funds to organizations that directly assist TANF customers and other low-income families and children in the city. Eligible applicants include small community-based, faith-based, and nonprofit organizations located in DC, with annual budgets not more than \$150,000. The deadline for applications is April 30, 2004, at 3:00pm. Awards of up to \$20,000 each are available.

The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on March 30, 2004. RFAs may be obtained from DHS/IMA, 645 H Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002, or on the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development's website (www.opgd.dc.gov). A Pre-Application Conference will be held on April 9, 2004, 10:00am-noon, at the DHS/IMA, 645 H Street, NE, 5th floor Conference Room. RSVP to Vickie Perry at (202) 698-4171 on or before April 6, 2004. For further information, contact R.J. Parker, DHS, Office of Grants Management, at (202) 279-6236.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtml for the following notices:

The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates, March 26, June 25, September 24, and December 30, 2004.

The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA), Reading First Initiative Grant Program, April 20, 2004, at 5:00pm.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Community Health. *The Benton Foundation, with funding from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*, announces funds for its Sound Partners for Community Health program. This national program supports partnerships between public broadcasters and community organizations to increase public awareness of specific health issues and to facilitate citizens' involvement in making decisions affecting health care. Projects must focus on one of the following topics: healthy living/obesity, vulnerable populations/health disparities, quality of

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care/building human capital, or public health challenges in the new millennium. Eligible applicants include nonprofits, government-related organizations, and all public radio and television stations that receive Community Service Grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, or stations that are members of the National Federation of Community Broadcasters. The deadline for preliminary applications is April 30, 2004. The deadline for final applications is August 2, 2004. There will be an informational teleconference on March 31, 2004, 2:00-3:00pm - dial in: 716-566-6016; password code 341063. For further information, go to: <http://www.soundpartners.org/>.

Creative Teaching. *The Jordan Fundamentals Grant Program* supports outstanding teaching and instructional creativity in public secondary schools that serve economically disadvantaged students. Applicants must develop an original lesson plan or thematic unit that demonstrates high expectations for students. Applicants are encouraged to involve students in the development of this plan or unit. Eligible applicants include public school teachers or paraprofessionals working with students in grades 1-12 who are employed by an accredited public school where at least 50 percent of the school's student population is eligible for the free or reduced school lunch program. The deadline for applications is June 15, 2004. Approximately 400 grants of \$2,500 will be awarded: 200 grants in grades 1-6; and 200 grants in grades 7-12. Grant funds must be used for resource materials, supplies, equipment, transportation or other costs related to field trips, software, and other items required to implement and evaluate the proposed lesson or thematic unit. For further information and to access the application, go to: <http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26&item=jordan>.

Education, Community, and Medicine/Health. *RGK Foundation* provides funding in the areas of education, community, and medicine/health. The Foundation's primary interests within education include programs that focus on formal K-12 education, integrating technology into curriculum, teacher development, literacy, and higher education. Within communities, the Foundation supports a broad range of human services, youth development, and community improvement programs. RGK's current

interests in the area of medicine/health include programs that promote the health and well-being of children, and programs that promote access to health services. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations certified as tax exempt under Sections 501(c)(3) or 170(c) of the IRS code and are classified as not a private foundation under Section 509(a). Hospitals, educational institutions, and governmental institutions meeting these requirements are eligible to apply. There is no deadline for submitting an online Letter of Inquiry (LOI). For further information and to access the LOI, go to: <http://www.rgkfoundation.org/>.

Education, Health and Poverty Reduction.

CharityWorks, an all-volunteer organization, annually partners with a nonprofit whose programs make a significant impact on improving the quality of life for families and children in the Washington, DC Metropolitan area. The organization is particularly interested in groups with a focus on education, health and poverty reduction. Eligible applicants include organizations that are tax exempt under Sections 501(c)(3) or 509(a) of the IRS code and have a track record of successful service for at least three years. The deadline for applications is May 17, 2004. CharityWorks provides both a corps of volunteers and financial resources to the selected partner. In previous years, between \$375,000-\$750,000 has been distributed to the selected partner organizations. An information meeting regarding the application process will be held on April 22, 2004, from 1:00-3:00pm. For further information, details on the informational meeting, and to access the application, contact CharityWorks at (703) 286-0758; or go to: <http://www.charityworksdc.org/index.html>.

Healthy Lifestyles: Overweight and Obesity. *The Consumer Health Foundation (CHF)* announces funds to support a limited number of health promotion and prevention programs that address the epidemic of overweight and obesity and have an access to health care link, as well as projects that seek to address systemic issues. CHF predominantly funds grassroots, local organizations working in the low-income communities in which they are located. Eligible applicants include nonprofit agencies, with tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code and organized and operated for charitable purposes, located within metropolitan Washington, DC and directly benefiting residents within this

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community (i.e., District of Columbia, Northern Virginia, and Prince George's and Montgomery counties in Maryland). The deadline for Letters of Inquiry (LOI) is April 23, 2004. For further information and to review the RFP, visit the CHF website: www.consumerhealthfdn.org.

Hunger. *The Altria Group, Inc.* supports anti-hunger programs. Through its Community Coalitions initiative, it helps build community partnerships among organizations addressing the nutrition needs of the homebound elderly and/or people living with critical illness. This includes people of all ages with critical illnesses that prevent them from preparing meals for themselves. Eligible applicants include nonprofit anti-hunger organizations that have been in operation a minimum of three years and are applying in collaboration with at least one partner organization. The deadline for applications is April 30, 2004. Approximately \$2 million is available to fund 25-30 grants. For further information, contact the Association of Nutrition Services Agencies at (202) 289-5650 or fabdale@ansadc.org; or go to: http://www.altria.com/responsibility/04_05_02_03_00_ComCoal_Main.asp.

Teacher Grants. *The National Geographic Society's Education Foundation* announces Teacher Grants to facilitate educators' work in the classroom, school, district, and community to prepare children to embrace a diverse world, succeed in a global economy, and steward the planet's resources. This year, grants will be made in two areas: (1) Promoting Stewardship of Cultural and Natural Resources; and (2) Promoting Geographic Knowledge through Education. Eligible applicants include any current teacher or administrator in an accredited K-12 school within the U.S. The funds for a project would generally be awarded to an organization—usually an educator's school—that can provide evidence that it is exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3), or to which contributions are deductible under section 170(c)(2), of the IRS code. The deadline for applications is June 10, 2004. Approximately \$100,000 is available to make grants of up to \$5,000 each. Online submissions are strongly encouraged. For further information, go to: http://www.nationalgeographic.com/education/teacher_community/get_grant.html#anchor_6.

Orphaned Children and Troubled Youth. *The Ralph and Eileen Swett Foundation's* mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals. The Foundation has identified the following two areas of interest: 1) the assistance of orphaned children, including the promotion of their adoption; and 2) intervention in the lives of troubled youths. However, support is not limited to these areas. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations with services that do not conflict with Christian morals and beliefs. First time applicants should submit an Application Request Form at any time. For further information and to access the Application Request Form, go to: <http://www.swettfoundation.org/index.htm>.

Resources & Announcements

REMINDER: Health in the National Capital Region. *The Foundation Center* will host a dialogue among nonprofits, grantmakers, and government on Health in the National Capital Region: Reducing Disparities and Increasing Access. The speaker will be George C. Benjamin, M.D., Executive Director of the American Public Health Association, followed by a panel presentation of local perspectives. This session will take place on March 31, 2004, 9:00am-11:00am, at the American Public Health Association, 800 I (Eye) Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. (Closest Metro stop is Gallery Place/Chinatown on the Red, Green or Yellow Lines. Take the 9th & G Street exit.) This program is offered free of charge. Space is limited. For further information and to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/hncrdc.html>.

REMINDER: Health Policy Grantmaking. *The Foundation Center* will host a briefing on trends in foundation giving for health and health policy following its Health in the National Capital Region: Reducing Disparities and Increasing Access session (see above). Steven Lawrence, Director of Research for the Foundation Center, will present this research update. This session will take place on March 31, 2004, 11:30am-12noon, at the American Public Health Association, 800 I (Eye) Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001. (Closest Metro stop is Gallery Place/Chinatown on the Red, Green or Yellow Lines. Take the 9th & G Street exit.) This

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<http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/resupddc.html>.

Accountability. *The Nonprofit Risk Management Center, in cooperation with TransitionGuides, CompassPoint Nonprofit Services, and the Public Entity Risk Institute, developed a free accountability assessment tool for nonprofits. This online tool introduces six Pillars of Accountability: Ethical Fundraising, Strategic Risk Management, Cultural Competence, Fiscal Integrity, Dynamic Programming and Leadership Sustainability. These Pillars provide a foundation for preserving and protecting the integrity of your organization. Once you answer a series of questions about your nonprofit's operations, you will be given the opportunity to create an action list to strengthen the pillars supporting the success of your nonprofit. For further information and to access the assessment tool, go to:*
<http://www.nonprofitrisk.org/pillars/pillars.htm>.

Books Available. *The Foundation Center now has a Weekend Lending program so that selected books may be checked-out over the weekend. Books may be checked out on Fridays and must be returned to the Reference Desk no later than 2:00pm on the following Monday. These hours are designed to ensure that books will be available when other library visitors need to use them. Any resident of the Washington, DC metropolitan area may borrow books. For further information and to view a list of the selected books, go to:*
http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/dc_lending.html.

Fiscal Crisis in the States - The Impact on Nonprofits. *The Aspen Institute's Nonprofit Sector Research Fund (The Fund) has released two new studies on the negative impact the current economy is having on the nonprofit sector. While some indicators suggest that the economy is beginning to recover, nonprofits are likely to still feel economic pressure for the foreseeable future according to The Fund. For further information on these reports, go to:*
http://www.nonprofitresearch.org/newsletter1525/newsletter_show.htm?doc_id=198786.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). *The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development*

(OPGD) provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

Grantwriting Workshop. *One Church One Family, a co-convenor and co-planner of the Sixth Annual Dr. Lonnie E. Mitchell National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Substance Abuse Conference: Bringing Together Today's Experts With Tomorrow's Innovators, will host a full-day pre-conference grantwriting workshop for faith and community-based organizations. This workshop will provide information on how to prepare and submit proposals to either federal or private funding sources. The free session will take place on March 30, 2004, 9:00am-5:00pm, at the Baltimore Wyndham Inner Harbor Hotel. For further information and to pre-register, contact the One Church One Family office at (202) 789-4333.*

Legal Nuts & Bolts for DC Nonprofits. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) will host a training session presented by the DC Bar Pro Bono Program Community Economic Development Project and DC Bar Sections. This session is specifically designed to cover legal issues pertinent to nonprofit organizations and faith-based organizations that have social service programs. Learn about pro bono legal assistance that may be available to your organization, the legal and fiduciary duties of members of nonprofit boards of directors, basic employment law issues, and much more. This session will take place on April 23, 2004, 10am-noon, at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, 11th Floor Citywide Conference Center, Room 1107. This workshop is free but space is limited. To register, call (202) 727-8900 by April 19, 2004.*

Nonprofit Promotion. *The Catalogue for Philanthropy's purpose is to increase charitable*

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giving through donor education about philanthropy. Each year, the Catalogue selects approximately 70 individual charities to feature in its publication in order to illustrate and demonstrate excellence, and to show how philanthropy is essential to our quality of life. Ultimately, the Catalogue provides small-to-mid-sized charities with visibility and a way to reach large numbers of potential major donors region-wide. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in the Washington region (i.e., District of Columbia; Montgomery, Prince George's, and Frederick counties in Maryland; Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William counties, as well as the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church, in Virginia) in all fields of philanthropy, with operating budgets of \$2 million or below. Organizations that were selected for the 2003 Catalogue are not eligible to reapply in 2004. The deadline for applications is April 1, 2004. For further information and to access the application, contact the Catalogue at (202) 549-6369 or dcquestions@catalogueforphilanthropy.org; or go to: <http://www.catalogueforphilanthropy.org/dc/applynow/index.html>.

Women's Re-Entry Forum. *The Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency (CSOSA), and the Women's Re-entry Project of the East of the River Clergy Police Community Partnership*, will host the 1st Annual Women's Re-entry Forum to address the special challenges faced by women returning from prison. Through a series of three panel discussions, and comments from guest speaker Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, the hosts seek to raise public awareness about the unique problems facing returning women, and to involve more individuals and organizations in an effort to expand the Comprehensive Re-entry Strategy for Adults in the District of Columbia to more fully address women's issues. The Forum will take place on March 27, 2004, 11:00am-3:00pm, at Emery Recreation Center, Georgia Avenue and Madison Street, NW. For further information and to register, contact Felicia Simmons, East of the River Clergy Police Community Partnership, ERCPCP Re-entry Center, at (202) 373-5767 or fsimmons@ercpcp.org.

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